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Honorable Sam Steiger
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sam:

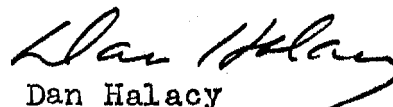
A recent De Toledano column points out that our government did indeed participate in the assassination of the Diems. I already knew that, but then the piece goes on to say that the CIA also plotted the death of Syngman Rhee and also of Chiang Kaishek -- allocating \$5 million for the latter rub-out. I am shocked.

If this is not true, the statements should be corrected. If it is true why has there not been a furore raised? What would our good friends at the Times say if the CIA were found to be plotting a hatchet job on Castro, or Russia's triumvirate, or some Red Chinese wheel?

The state totters. I'll appreciate your comments on the above charges by De Toledano.

Meantime, every best wish to you and yours.

Respectfully,


Dan Halacy

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SUGGESTED REPLY

Dear Mr. Dupre:

This is in reply to your letter dated July 14, 1971 expressing concern as to possible invasion of privacy by the Government.

The Central Intelligence Agency does not maintain any list of individuals in the United States who are subversive or a threat to our Government. The Agency is prohibited by law from engaging in any internal security matters.

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